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SUBJECT: SEEKING HIGH-LEVEL ATTENDANCE AT AD HOC LIAISON COMMITTEE MEETING, SEPTEMBER 24, NEW YORK

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¶1. We delivered reftel demarche on September 14 to Timur Zabirov of the MFA Middle East and North Africa Department. Zabirov said that the GOR appreciated that the Secretary's attendance at the AHLC demonstrates U.S. support for the Palestinian Authority and that a suitably high-level official would head the Russian delegation. The MFA could not confirm whether FM Lavrov would attend as he is currently out of the country.

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